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EXAMINING GROUP 3682
Docket No.: 392.1717

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In re the Application of:

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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 8, 2005, and having a period for response set to expire on May 8, 2005. A petition for a one-month extension of time is submitted concurrently herewith, thereby extending the response period to June 8, 2005.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Applicants request entry of this Rule 116 Response because the amendments were not earlier presented because the Applicant believed in good faith that the cited prior art did not disclose the present invention as previously claimed.

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